



DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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As below-named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our respective residences, post office addresses and citizenships are as stated below next to each name, that we believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention, design or discovery entitled **COMPUTER-AUTOMATED IMPLEMENTATION OF USER-DEFINABLE DECISION RULES FOR MEDICAL DIAGNOSIS OR SCREENING INTERPRETATIONS**, the specification of which (check one) _____

- () is attached hereto; or
(x) was filed on March 19, 1998, as application Serial No. 09/074,487
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that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above; that we do not know and do not believe that said invention, design or discovery was ever known or used in the United States of America before my invention or discovery thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention or discovery thereof, or more than one year prior to this application, or in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application; that said invention, design or discovery has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued prior to the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by either of us or our legal representatives or assigns; and that we acknowledge the duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examiner of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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We hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States Application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States Application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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